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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

26425 Trinity Church Road
Courtland, VA 23837
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Senator Mark Warner
475 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Warner:

As I am sure you are aware, telephone companies with landline service are trying to switch to carrying only cell phone service. As we live too far from a cell phone tower for good service, this is a terrible option for us, leaving us with poor to no phone service whatsoever.

Also, we are fortunate to have reverse 911 service and this would also not be an option as it requires a landline for the sheriff to use. Another bad feature is that our security system would be useless, as would LifeAlert and similar life saving systems for senior citizens.

It is very important that some legislation is passed to prevent this happening, not only here in Virginia but also in much more sparsely settled areas of this country.

Any help you can give towards this end will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Deborah A. Owen

Cc: J. B. Stutts, Sheriff, Southampton County
Virginia Sheriff's Association
Virginia Corporation Commission